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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

20 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) Case No. 1:21-CR-00027-JLT-SKO
21 Plaintiff,)
22 vs.)
23 DONIS ARIEL MALDONADO,)
24 Defendant,)
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28 Defendant Donis Ariel Maldonado, through the Federal Defender for the Eastern District
of California, hereby requests appointment of CJA panel counsel.

20 On May 20, 2022, an Indictment was issued in the above captioned case. Mr. Maldonado
21 had an initial appearance on the allegations in the Southern District of California on May 16,
22 2022, at which time the Court appointed counsel. On May 19, 2022, a detention hearing was held
23 in the Southern District and the Court ordered Mr. Maldonado released. The following day the
24 government filed a motion to revoke the order of release as well as a stay of the order, which was
25 granted by this Court on May 20, 2022 and ordered the parties to set a hearing date for the
26 government's motion. Counsel in the Eastern District of California is needed in this matter to
27 address the Court's order and provide representation on Mr. Maldonado's case going forward.

1 After reviewing his Financial Affidavit, it is respectfully recommended that CJA panel counsel
2 Kevin Rooney be promptly appointed *nunc pro tunc* as of May 25, 2022.
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4 DATED: May 25, 2022

5 /s/ Eric V. Kersten
6 ERIC V. KERSTEN
7 Assistant Federal Defender
8 Branch Chief, Fresno Office

9 **ORDER**

10 Having satisfied the Court that the defendant is financially unable to retain counsel, the
11 Court hereby appoints CJA panel counsel Kevin Rooney *nunc pro tunc* as of May 25, 2022,
12 pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3006A.

13 IT IS SO ORDERED.

14 Dated: May 26, 2022

15 /s/ Barbara A. McAuliffe
16 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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